

Energy Control Program

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Summary

YOUR RESPONSIBILITY:

To establish an energy control program

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Establish a written energy control program

You must

- Establish a written energy control program to protect employees that service or maintain a machine or equipment from injury caused by the:
 - Unexpected energization or start up of the machine or equipment

or

 - Release of stored energy.
- Make sure the program contains **all** of the following:
 - Energy control procedures as described in WAC 296-803-500
 - Employee training as described in WAC 296-803-600
 - Periodic reviews as described in WAC 296-803-700.
- Develop and document in writing energy control procedures to protect employees doing service or maintenance of a machine or equipment from potentially hazardous energy.



Exemption:

- You don't have to have **written** energy control procedures for a particular machine or equipment if **all** of the following apply:
 - The machine or equipment has a single energy source that's easily identified and can be isolated
 - The machine or equipment is completely deenergized and deactivated by isolating and locking out the energy source
 - There's no stored or residual energy that could be a hazard to employees, and the machine or equipment can't reaccumulate such energy after it's been shut down
 - The energy source can be locked out with a single lockout device.

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Exemption (Continued):

- The machine or equipment is isolated from the energy source and locked out during service or maintenance
- The authorized employee doing the service or maintenance has exclusive control of the lockout device
- The service or maintenance doesn't create a hazard for other employees
- The machine or equipment has never been unexpectedly energized or activated during service or maintenance.

You must

- Make sure energy control procedures clearly and specifically outline:
 - The scope, purpose, authorization, rules, and techniques to control hazardous energy**and**
 - How you'll make sure employees follow the procedures.
- Make sure energy control procedures specifically identify **at least** the following:
 - When the procedure must be used.
 - What the specific procedural steps are for:
 - Shutting down, isolating, blocking, and securing the machine or equipment.
 - Placing, removing, and transferring lockout or tagout devices and who is responsible for them.
 - How to test the machine or equipment to verify the effectiveness of lockout devices, tagout devices, and other energy control measures.

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Note:

- Similar machines and equipment may be covered by a single written procedure if **all** of the following apply:
 - They use the same type and magnitude of energy.
 - They have the same or similar types of controls.
 - The specific machines and equipment covered by the procedure are identified by at least type and location.



Helpful Tool:

Sample Lockout Procedure

You can find a sample fill-in-the-blank lockout procedure in the Resources section of this chapter.

